

REMARKS

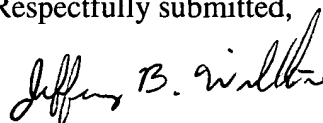
Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-13 were previously cancelled, claims 23 and 26 have been amended and claims 31-35 have now been added. Applicants request the cancellation of claims 28-30 without prejudice or disclaimer.

The Examiner issued a restriction requirement as to claims 14-21 in Group I and claims 22-30 in Group II as being related as combination and subcombination and distinct from one another. Additionally, the Examiner is requiring an election under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species due to claims being directed to patentably distinct species shown in figure 5.

Applicant hereby elects Group II claims 22-28, and new claims 31-35 depending directly or indirectly from claim 22, for prosecution on the merits. Claims 1-14 are withdrawn from consideration, and the Applicant reserves the right to present these claims in a divisional application. Claims 28-30 directed to the patentably distinct species shown in figure 5 have now been cancelled. Therefor, as claim 22 is generic for elected claims 22-28 and 31-35, it is respectfully asserted that this amendment is fully responsive to the Examiner's election requirement and the present application is in condition for prosecution on the merits.

If any issue remains that would prevent commencement of prosecution on the merits of claims 22-28 and 31-35, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned prior to issuing a subsequent action. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional amount required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2112.

Respectfully submitted,



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